from Danish International Development Agency in the State of Kerala, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa and Tamil Nadu.

(f) As per the existing agreements, the drinking water supply projects are likely to be completed by 1993-94 in Kerala/Tamil Nadu and June, 1991 in Karnataka and Madhya Pradesh. The term of the present agreement for drinking water supply project in Orissa is upto December, 1990.

Discharge of Ammonia from Paradeep Phosphates Ltd.

2022. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the discharge of ammonia gas from the chimney of the newly commissioned captive power plant of Paradeep Phosphates Ltd. (PPL) has created problems to the people residing in that area;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any precautionary measures in this regard; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA): (a) Ammonia is not used in the commissioning of the captive power plant and there was no discharge of ammonia from the chimney of the power plant.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Production in Paradeep Phosphates Ltd.

2023. SHRI BASUDEB MOHA PATRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that production in the Paradeep Phosphates Ltd. has been seriously affected following go-slow by the workers engaged in the bagging plant of the unit;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of workers engaged in the bagging plant of this unit and the method of payment the workers; and

(d) what are the reasons that Government are not regularising services of the casual labourers engaged by contractors in the unit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA): (a) The plant is not working at full capacity due to low out put by the contract labour engaged in the bagging plant.

(b) This is mainly because of rivalry between various groups of the workers of the bagging plant to gain control over the Union.

(c) The number of workers engaged by the contractor depends on the work-load, and payment is linked to the tonnage handled.

(d) Under the contracting system, the casual laourers are employed by the contractors and not by Paradeep Phosphates Limited.

Increase in Jhuggi Jhounpris in Delhi

2024 SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a mushroom growth of Jhuggi Jhounpris everywhere in Delhi in the last couple of years; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to stop the growth of slums in New Delhi areas which is posing health problems?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) There is no evidence to know

to show abnormal growth of jhuggis in Delhi during the last couple of years.

(b) It is the policy of the Government not to permit fresh encroachment or unauhorised construction on public land. The land owning agencies have been advised to be vigilant and undertake regular petrolling for safeguarding the vacant land pockets for curbing the growth of slums in Delhi.

Non-functioning of weighing machines at Railway Stations

2025. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that a number of weighing machines at Railway Stations and platforms are always non-functioning;

(b) which monitering unit is responsible for smooth functioning of these machines; and

(c) what steps Government are taking in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI AJAY SINGH): (a) to (c) The information is being collected from the Zonal Railways and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Rectification of construction defects in Ashok Vihar Phase-III, Delhi

2026. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Residents Welfare Association, Pocket B Phase-III Ashok Vihar, Delhi had in their representation dated the 20th May, 1989 requested for the rectification of construction defects besides complaints for non-utilisation of the funds allocated to the said Pocket by DDA Engineering Staff;

(b) if so, whether the construction defects as pointed out by the Association in their representation have been rectified;

(c) if not, what are the reasons for delay in rectifying the construction defects in the flats; and

(d) what action has been taken for the nonutilisation of the funds earmarked for pocket B, Phase III, Ashok Vihar?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) The construction defects pointed out by the residents welfare Association Pocket B, Phase III, Ashok Viahr, Delhi have already been rectified. However, maintenance of these flats is no longer the responsibility of the DDA.

(c) and (d) Question do not arise in view of the above.

Manufacturing cost of Vanaspati

2027. SHRI SOM PAL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the manufacturing cost of Vanaspati per tonne excluding oil value;

(b) what is the quantity of imported oil supplied by S.T.C. to Vanaspati industry during the last three years; and

(c) what is the price escalation since October 1989 to December 1989, January 1990 to March 1990 and April 1990 to 15th July, 1990 per Kg.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL): (a) The manufacturing/processing cost of vanaspati excluding oil value, packing and taxes etc. is around Rs. 1825/- per tonne.

(b) The quantity of imported oil supplied by State Trading Corporation of